



Wisconsin Department of Veterans Affairs

Tony Evers, Governor | Mary M. Kolar, Secretary

November 9, 2020

Dear King Members, Friends, and Family:

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services, on Saturday, reported 7,065 new cases of COVID-19 in the state. The seven-day average is now 5,139, topping 5,000 for the first time.

Since our report on Friday, November 6, we have had 14 employees test positive for COVID-19. Two employees have also recovered. We have had five members with COVID-19 pass and one more member test positive and another recover. We are deeply saddened at the passing of each of these heroes. Here on campus we have lost a beloved member as each of you, your families and friends have lost a dear loved one. We hold each of them in our hearts.

Each day that we see more cases of COVID-19 in our community and our state is a day that we are at risk of having it spread to within our Home. University of Chicago researcher Tamara Konetzka, a nationally recognized expert on long-term care, says that "Trying to protect nursing home residents without controlling community spread is a losing battle." We are imploring you to please help us spread the word about how important it is for us all to do our part in protecting our staff and members from this virus. It is so important to continue to stay home as much as possible, wear a mask when out, maintain at least six feet from others and wash our hands frequently. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Tammy Servatius, Commandant